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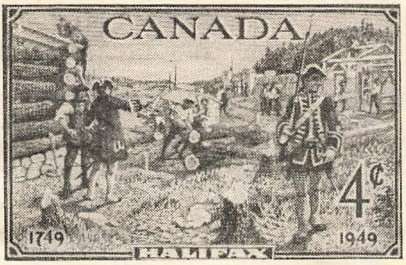
NEW POSTAGE STAMP ISSUES

It has been decided to replace the 1-cent, 2-cent, 3-cent, 4-cent and 5-cent postage stamps at present current in Canada, showing his Majesty, King George VI, in military uniform, with a new issue of postage stamps portraying the King in civilian dress. The new issue will be of the same size and colours as are now in use and are printed in sheets of 100 stamps.

The stamps will be issued on June 6th, the day officially recognized as the birthday of the King.

Halifax Commemorative

A special 4-cent commemorative postage stamp will be issued on the 21st June to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the founding of Halifax, Nova Scotia. The stamp will be approximately 1½" x 1" and will bear a scene based on a painting by



C. W. Jefferys, R.C.A., LL.D., entitled "The Founding of Halifax, 1749". The colour of the stamp will be purple and it will be printed in sheets of 50 stamps.

The stamps will be on sale on the dates indicated at Post Offices in the larger centres throughout Canada.

First Day Covers

First Day cover service for the King George VI, regular issue, 5 denominations, will be provided at the Ottawa, Ontario, Post Office only, the covers being cancelled on the date of issue, 6th June. F. D. Cover service for the Halifax stamp will be given by the Postmaster at Halifax, N.S., June 21st. It is to be noted that the P.O.D. now requires a 5c, service charge on ordinary covers and 10c on registered covers besides the necessary stamps to be affixed to covers.

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Cobden, Ontario, May, 1949.

The appearance of Newfoundland stamps on mail posted in provinces other than Newfoundland by the philatelic-minded, since April 1st, may or may not be considered philatelic tidbits fifty years from now. We can see a necessity for it in Newfoundland for a time but not for postings in British Columbia and points between, even though authorized by the Canada Post Office.

We like the design for the Halifax Bicentenary stamp. There has been nothing like it since the 15c of the Quebec Tercentenary set. Stamps of action scenes from history tell a story that the single picture of a building, monument or ship cannot convey.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Sir:—

I have read your account in the April number of Popular Stamps of the latest Canadian Commemorative and fully agree with your comment theron with one exception.

I have been asking myself, is it a postage stamp or just a label costing stamp collectors 4c each.

It seems strange that on the last two issues of Canada, the words "Postage & Postes" should be suddenly omitted, while for years they have appeared on every denomination of every issue. How come?—P.W.H.

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History of Canadian O.H.M.S. Stamps

by W. C. Gordon

There has always been considerable speculation about just how and where these stamps originated and now for the first time we are able to give our Philatelic friends the true facts.

It has long been assumed that these issues were used only from the office of the Assistant Receiver General at Victoria,B .C. However the writer's discovery some months ago of similar covers bearing O.H.M.S. stamps emanating from the Provincial offices of the Assistant Receiver General at Toronto and Calgary and dated from Sept. 1931 to Dec. 1933 effectually exploded this assumption. I passed this information on to Mr. F. Walter Pollock of Teaneck, N.J. who is a specialist in Canadiana and who conducts the Canada Corner in the Western Stamp Collector and he immediately started an enquiry which has resulted in the true facts relating to these issues being brought to light. Our sincere thanks are certainly due to Mr. Pollock for his persevering effort in obtaining from Official sources in Ottawa the following authentic information.

These stamps were introduced in May 1923 by the Department of Finance of the Dominion Government at Ottawa. Inasmuch as the head office in Ottawa enjoyed franking privileges their use was restricted to the various Provincial offices of the Assistant Receiver General. These offices were located at Victoria, B.C. Calgary, Alta. Regina, Sask. Winnipeg, Man. Toronto, Ont. Halifax, N.S. Saint John, N.B. and Charlottetown, P.E.I. (No mention was made of Montreal, Que. altho an office was located in that city so we might assume that they were used there also) Their use continued until March 11, 1935 at which time these offices were taken over by the Bank of Canada. Thus these issues were in use for almost twelve years.

The machine used for perforating the stamps was known as a Cummins 53 and its pattern made five holes in each vertical stroke of the letters. It was located in the Currency branch of the Dept. of Finance in Ottawa. The stamps were all perforated there and from there distributed to the various Provincial offices. This corrects the prevalent but erroneous idea that they emanated from the Victoria, B.C. office only.

The authority for their issuance and use by the Department of Finance was similar to that extended to private corporations such as C.P.R., C.N.R., Bell Telephone Co. etc. Consequently they were not Official issues of the Post Office Dept. However inasmuch as they definitely were the forerunners of the Official O.H.M.S. stamps subsequently issued we might classify them as Semi/ Official as they were used by a Government Departmental Office. In any event no collection of Canadian O.H.M.S. could be called complete without their inclusion.

From March 11, 1935 until July 1, 1939 there were no O..HM.S. stamps in use. On the latter date they again made their appearance but under different authority. Leading up to this itroduction I am able to give the following authoritative information.

A treasury Board minute (No. 173975) of the 10th of May 1938 specified that Government Departments were to be furnished postage stamps perforated O.H.M.S. on and after July 1, 1938. Action however was deferred so a second Treasury Board minute (T.1790926) dated 28th March 1939 was passed ordering that the system be put into operation on July 1, 1939 which was done.

The new system however, and here is the important point, was placed under the administration of the Post Office Department. They supplied the stamps, did the perforating and attended to the distribution, thus all subsequent emissions became Official issues.

When the new plan was put into operation the Post Office Dept. had no perforating machine as the new one ordered had not been delivered. However the old original machine,

previously used by the Finance Dept. was borrowed and used for the first supplies of stamps sent out as Postal issues. This therefor accounts for the existence of Official stamps with the same perforations as the so-called Semi-Official stamps mentioned previously. The first supplies were from the then current King George VI series of 1937-8 up to the 20c value only.

Coincident to these issues various Government Departments were instructed to return to the Post Office Dept. any stocks of unperforated stamps on hand for the purpose of having them perforated. In some cases these instructions were complied with immediately and these returns received the large type 1 perforation, in others they were not returned until after the new machine had been placed in operation hence they received the new type 2 perforations. Unfortunately for the Philatelic student no record was kept of the stamps so treated. Mr. Pollock believes and I concur in his theory that Scott's #223, 224 and 226 being the 10c, 13c and 50c of the 1935 series together with 1c, 2c and 3c Royal Visit & 3c Coronation were returned and perforated with type 1 while the 10c and 50c of the 1935 series Scotts #223 and 226, all three values of the Royal Visit, and the Air Mail C5 of 1935 were returned and treated with the new machine.

I have been unable to ascertain the exact date when the new machine was placed in operation but it would appear to be some time in the fall of 1939. All subsequent issues have been perforated with it. It makes a pattern having only four holes in each vertical stroke, thus making it smaller than type 1, which represents the original machine. We designate the the new type as Type 2.

A typograph of the two Types.

TYPE 1	TYPE 2
OH	O H
MS	M S

Summarizing these issues we can readily place them into the following groups:

1. Semi-Official, Type 1.—Stamps used from May 1923 until Mch. 11, 1935. The last recorded being the U. E. Loyalist issue Scott #209.
2. Official, Type 1.—First supplies sent out by the P.O. Dept. Scott #231 to 236, 241-2-3-, C6.

   Type 1.—Stamps returned for perforation Scot #223, 224, 226 1c and 3c Royal Visit, 3c Coronation.
3. Official Type 2.—Stamps returned for perforation Scott #223, 226, 246-7-8 Royal Visit, C.5, E.7, E9.

All subsequent issues from Scott #231 as per list attached.

All O.H.M.S. Air Mail, Special Delivery, and Air Mail, Spcl. Delivery are official.

Mr. Pollock informs me that the perforating machine consists of a row of ten segments in a single line and thus should perforate one row of stamps at a time. The feeding of the sheets into the machine however, as well as the spacing, is a manual operation and is done more or less casually by a clerk in the stockroom of the Postage Stamp Division. Depending on how the sheets are fed in we get a number of different letter positions as shown in the chart below. While these differencesa re relatively unimportant they do make collectable varieties for the specialist. Sometimes the spacing is so minor that we get so-called doubles i.e. the two perforations overlap. These are however definitely uncommon.

A	B	C	D
O. H.	H. O.	S. W.	W. S.
M. S.	S. M.	H. O.	O. H.
Normal	Reversed	Inverted	Invert & Rev

E	F	G	H
O. H.	S. W.	O. H.	W. S.
M. S.	H. O.	S. W.	O. H.
Read Up	Read Down	F Revers.	E Revers

From the above chart you can see that eight varieties are possible. I have never seen forms G or H, but they exist. Any of these could also exist as doubles.

Form A. Normal—Sheets fed in vertically, face up, top first.

Form B. Reversed—Sheets fed in vertically, gum side up, top first.
Form C.—Inverted—Sheets fed in vertically, face up, bottom first.
Form D.—Inverted & Reversed—Sheets fed in vertically, gum side up, bottom first.
Form E. Reading Up—Sheets fed horizontally, left side first, face up.
Form F. Reading Down—Sheets fed Horizontally, right side first, face up.
Form G. Reversed, Read Down—Sheets fed horizontally, gum side up in (E reversed).
Form H. Reversed, Read Up—Sheets fed horizontally, gum side up (F reversed).

The writer was one of a Committee of the B.C. Philatelic Society which a few years ago compiled a more or less complete list taking into consideration all the denominations and letter positions known to us at that time. Recently Mr. Garrett brought the list more up to date and his article was published in the B.N.A. Topics. However, in both of these lists a number of omissions occur so that a new list may not be inopportune.

Herewith I give you the latest listings as known to me. If any reader can add to it I will be very glad if they will so advise me. Address the writer at P.O. Box 31, Horseshoe Bay, B.C. I would like to thank all the collectors who have collaborated with me in bringing this list up to date.

OFFICIAL ISSUES O.H.M.S.

Scott	S.G.	Denomination	Varieties
223	347	10c Carmine	1a 2.a.c.e.
224	348	13c Purple	1a.
226	350	50c Violet	1a.e.2.a.c.
		King George VI Issue 1937-8	
231	357	1c Green	1a.c. 2ex.fx.
232	358	2c Brown	1a 2ex.fx.
233	359	3c Red	1axc.f.2ex.fx.
234	360	4c Yellow	1a. 2e. fx.
235	361	5c Blue	1a. 2ex. fx.
236	362	8c Orange	1a. 2e. f.
241	363a	10c Carmine	1a.e.f.2c. ex. fx
241a	363	10c Rose	1a.e.f.2c.e.f.
242	364	13c Blue	1a.c. 2ax. c.
243	365	20c Brown	1a 2ax.cx.
244	366	50c Green	2ax.c.
245	367	$1 Violet	2a. c.

Pairs of the 13c Blue exist with one stamp perforated O.H.M.S., the other unperforated in type 2a.

Commemoratives

237	356	3c Coron.	1f.
246	372	1c R. Visit	1a. 2a.e.f.
247	373	2c R. Visit	1e. 2a.c.e.f.
248	374	3c R. Visit	1a. 2ax.e.f.

Air Mail Issues

C1	274	5c Brown	2a.c.
C5	355	6c Rd Brown	2a.
C6	371	6c Blue	1a. 2ax.c.
C7	397	6c Blue	2a.c.
C8	398	7c Blue	2ax.c.
C9	407	7c Blue	2a. cx.
CE1	S13	16c Air Exp.	2a.c.
CE2	S14	17c Air Exp.	2a.c.
CE3	S16	17c Air Exp. Die 1	2a.
CE4	S17	17c Air Exp. Die 2	2a.

War Effort Issues 1942-6

249	375	1c Green	2ex.fx.
250	376	2c Brown	2ex.fx.
251	377	3c Red	2ex.fx.
252	378	3c Violet	2ex.fx.
253	379	4c Gray	2a.c.e.f.
254	380	4c Red	2ex.fx.
255	381	5c Blue	2a.ex.fx.
256	382	8c Brown	2a.cx.e.f.
257	383	10c Brown	2ex.fx.
258	384	13c Green	2ax.c.e.
259	385	14c Green	2a.c.
260	386	20c Chocolate	2ax.cx.e.
261	387	50c Violet	2ax.c.e.
262	388	$1 Blue	2a.c.e.

Pairs of the 10c and 20c exist with one stamp perforated and the other not. Also the 2c Brown No. 250 exists as a double with 2E and 2H in combination.

Reconstruction Issue 1946

268	401	8c Brown	2a.c.
269	402	10c Olive	2ax.cx.
270	403	14c Sepia	2ax.c.
271	404	20c Slate	2a.cx.
272	405	50c Green	2a.c.
273	406	$1 Violet	2a.c.

Special Delivery

E7	S9	10c Green	1939 2a.c.
E9	S11	10c on 20c	1939 2a.
E10	S12	10c Green	1942 2a.c.
E11	S15	10c Green	1946 2a.c.

Where an x is shown on this and the previous list it denotes that the variety exists with double perforation as well.

SEMI-OFFICIAL, ALL TYPE 1

King George V Issue 1912-25

105	246	1c Yellow	a.
107	247	2c Green	a.
108	205	3c Brown	a.
109	249	3c Red	a. b.
110	250	4c Ochre	a.
112	252	5c Violet	a. c.
112a	252a	5c Violet thin	a.
113	208	7c Bistre	a.
115	254a	8c Blue	a.
117	255	10c Blue	a.b.
118	255a	10c Brown	a.
119	212	20c Olive	a.
120	214	50c Black	a.
122	256	$1 Orange	a.b.c.

Confederation and Historical 1927

141	266	1c Orange	a.
142	267	2c Green	a.
143	268	3c Carmine	a.
144	269	5c Violet	a.
148	273	20c Carmine	a.

Scroll Issue 1928-29

149	275	1c Orange	a.
150	276	2c Green	a.
153	279	5c Violet	a. c.

Scott	S.G.	Denomination	Varieties
155	281	10c Green	a.
157	283	20c Red	a.
158	284	50c Blue	a.
159	285	$1 Olive	a.
		Maple Leaf Issue 1930-31	
163	300a	1c Green Die 2	2a ax. c.
163b	300	1c Green Die 1	a.c.
164	289	2c Green	a.
165	301a	2c Red Die 2	a.c.
165a	301	2c Red Die 1	a.c.
167	303	3c Red	a.c.
170	304	5c Blue	a.b.c.
173	293	10c Green	a.
175	295	20c Red	a.b.c.
176	296	50c Blue	a.b.c.d.
177	297	$1 Green	a.
191	314a	3c on 2c Red Die 2	a.
		Cartier Commemorative	
190	312	10c Green	a.b.c.d.
		Imperial Conference 1932	
192	315	3c Red	a.
193	316	5c Blue	b.
		Medallion Issue 1932	
195	319	1c Green	a.
196	320	2c Sepia	a.b.d.
197	321	3c Red	ax.b.c.d.
199	323	5c Blue	a.b.
201	325	13c Violet	a.b.
		Commemoratives	
202	329	5c Postal Un.	a.b.c.d.
203	330	20c Regina Gr.	a.b.c.d.
209	333	10c U. E. Loyal	a.c.

POSTMARKS DIRECT LETTER

London, April 25.—Playwright George Bernard Shaw recently received a letter mailed Nov. 1, 1948, addressed only with three postoffice cancellation marks which form his name.

The envelope bore cancellations from George, Iowa; Bernard, Iowa; and Shaw, Mississippi. It then was mailed from the United States with no other address.

After almost six months it turned up at the GBS home at Ayot St. Lawrence, Hertfordshire.

Shaw's comment:

"All three (places) have taken my names in vain. I was never in any of them."

THE EDWARD 50c OF CANADA

Some information regarding this denomination would be welcomed by two or three of my correspondents. I have lately received stamps and photographic enlargements of the Edward 50c. The question arises as to whether there were two separate printings of this stamp. The writer has sketched in this issue to the best of his ability the two types in question, and has examined all copies in stock to verify the differences, 50% of which have the solid background, Type 1 and the remainder with dotted cross lines, Type 2. Other differences are the P in postage. Type 1 copies are not sharply outlined, the fur tippet on the King's left shoulder lacks clarity. In Type 2 the hair on the top of the head appears heavily retouched. The general appearance of Type 1 does not suggest a shift or smudge printing, nevertheless this may be the case.

Some specialist interested in this stamp may care to give his opinion after inspecting his holdings. There are a few collectors interested and awaiting information.—Aubrey Kelson.

T.S.C.C. CLUB NOTES

The members of the executive of the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club were hosts to Robson Lowe of London, England, to dinner at the Royal York Hotel on Wednesday evening, April 20th, after which an adjournment was made to a private room. There they were joined by Mayor A. K. Grimmer of Timiscaming and Henry Ades Fowler, Hartland, Mich. Several of the local members also dropped in.

Mr. Lowe exhibited and explained the various items on about fifty selected pages from his outstanding collection of New South Wales, which is possibly one of the best now in existence. He stated that in New South Wales we find a country which in a small scope has every example of philatelic printing.

He gave us some interesting details of the progress being made for the London International Stamp Exhibition to be held May 6th to 13th, 1950. Many of these plans would be suitable for our Capex in 1951. He stated that British Collectors and the trade generally were greatly interest in Capex and would give their fullest co-operation to put it over.

The Tenth Anniversary Hobby Show of the Toronto Transportation Commission was held in the recreation hall on Bathurst Street on Friday and Saturday, May 22nd and 23rd. Among the numerous exhibits were a showing of 17 frames of stamps from the members of the T.S.C. Club.

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#28 "P.OW." Parcel Post Stamps

Back in the September 1947 issue of B.N.A. TOPICS, the official publication of the British North America Philatelic Society, Ian C. Morgan, their newly elected Vice-President, wrote some notes regarding the "official P.O.W. Parcel Post Stamps of Canada". There are six varieties mentioned by Morgan, the first appearing February, 1940 and the last coming out March, 1946.

It's this last issue about which I write. They were printed in vertical strips of five, rouletted between. Whereas the gauge seems to be 9½ between all other stamps, that between the 3rd and 4th stamps gauges 12½. So that means each sheet is made up of five distinct varieties, as follows:

Stamp #1 Imperf at top—roulette 9½ at bottom.

Stamp #2 Roulette 9½ both top and bottom.

Stamp #3 Roulette 9½ at top—12½ at bottom.

Stamp #4 Roulette 12½ at top—9½ at bottom.

Stamp #5 Roulette 9½ at top—imperf at bottom.

At least the sheets I've checked all come in this manner. Who can report differently?

Editor's Note:—See also "Popular Stamps" for June, 1947.

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#29 Prince Edward Island #10—4½d

Just what cooks, anyway? Having found no mention of the variety in any of the accepted works on the interesting stamps of this colony, including Dalwick, Poole and Jarrett, —I'm puzzled. Before me I have a block of 6, in which the gutter between the 2nd and 3rd rows horizontally is extra wide,— in fact, it is 2½ times as wide as the normal gutter. Supposedly these could be from two panes. They were supposedly issued in sheets of 120, consisting of two panes. But Poole, the only one who mentions it, says the panes were placed side by side—not end to end! Then how come the block in front of me? I ain't imagineering it!

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#30 Albino Plate Nos.—#197a

No doubt all collectors of Canadian Booklets and booklet panes are aware of the fact that the issues of 1930-32 exist with either the word "PLATE" or "NO.—" on the selvedge. Most of these are scarce and well sought after. But how many have seen these in "Albino" printings? The words and nos. are embossed, but not inked. So far, I only have the 3c 1932, the #197a in a matched pair of panes with "PLATE" and "NO. 2". No doubt other varieties exist. Look over the "plain" selvedge ones carefully—you may have an albino!

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#31 "Crash" Cover

Any real airmail enthusiast likes to be able to add a "crash" cover to his cover collection. While I'm not an airmail specialist, I do like to keep adding to my Canadian airmail collections. So now I've added my first "crash cover"! The cover is damaged and bears the handstamp, "Received in damaged condition / at Edmonton" in two lines. The cover left Toronto on Dec. 19, 1931 on its first leg—to Detroit, but the pilot ran into fog and bailed out near Dunnville, Ont. To top it off, I have a clipping from the "Free Press Evening Bulletin" of Winnipeg, complete with story and pictures. The Am. Airmail Catalog says, "no covers reported" on this crash.—I's reportin!

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PHONE, CABLE INVADE WORLD OF PHILATELY

A trans-Atlantic telephone call and a cable figured in stamp-collecting circles recently because of meetings in Edinburgh, Montreal and Ottawa. A telephone conversation, details of which were relayed to the annual banquet of the Ottawa Philatelic Society in the Chateau Laurier, took place between Edinburgh, where the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain was in yearly session and Montreal, where its Canadian counterpart was holding its convention. Greetings were exchanged between the two organizations.

The cable was a message of greetings from England direct to the Ottawa banquet, the sender being Miss Ethel Harper, a widely-known philatelist of London.

Special speaker at the OPS dinner was Robson Lowe of London, president of the British Philatelic association, who, at the conclusion of his talk was presented with an honorary life membership in the local club by President Kendall McNeil.

Walter G. Beddoe conducted a club auction. The speaker was introduced by W. F. Bowden Martin and was thanked by Henry P. Stockwell. E. A. Wyse was acting secretary for the meeting and T. Preston Hackett assisted as treasurer.

SPLENDID HOSTS

We of "Popular Stamps" were unable to be at the big Montreal event last month but report received here is that the Wesmount boys certainly proved themselves the best ever.

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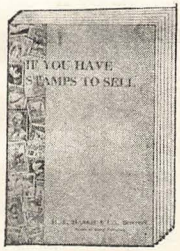

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